

ORDINANCE NO. 2760

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2023 GENERAL FUND BUDGET AND THE GRANT FUND SO TO FURTHER APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR REDESIGN OF THE SALISBURY ZOO'S ANDEAN BEAR EXHIBIT.

WHEREAS, the City applied for grant funding with the Maryland Department of General Services (“DGS”) to cover the redesign costs of the Salisbury Zoo’s Andean Bear Exhibit; and

WHEREAS, DGS awarded the City \$250,000 in grant funding to cover the redesign costs of the Zoo’s Andean Bear Exhibit, but that award must be approved by the Maryland Board of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, it is expected the grant will be approved and that the City will receive the \$250,000 in grant funds this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, to move forward with the redesign of the Andean Bear Exhibit, the City wishes to use monies in the General Fund in the amount of \$250,000 to obtain an architectural design; and

WHEREAS, the City has surplus funds available in the current year operating accounts to fund \$250,000 to put toward the architectural design of the Andean Bear Exhibit; and

WHEREAS, when and if the City receives the \$250,000 in grant monies, those monies will be deposited into the City’s General Fund; and

WHEREAS, appropriations necessary to execute the purpose of this grant must be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Salisbury’s Grant Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

- 1) Increase Transfers from General Revenue budget (account no. 10500-469110-xxxxx) by \$250,000; and
- 2) Increase Design Expense budget (account no. 10500-513026-xxxxx) by \$250,000.

Section 2. The City of Salisbury’s FY23 General Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

- 1) Increase Revenue 01000-469810 Use of Surplus by \$250,000; and
- 2) Increase Expense 91001-599131 Grant Match Public Works by \$250,000

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

Section 3. It is the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that each provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein.

Section 4. It is further the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise

unenforceable under applicable Maryland or federal law, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain and shall be deemed valid and enforceable.

Section 5. The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated into this section of the Ordinance as if such recitals were specifically set forth at length in this Section 5.

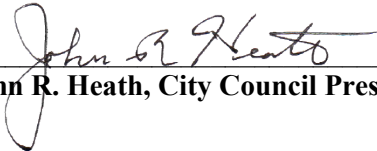
Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 28th day of November, 2022 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council of the City of Salisbury on the 12th day of December, 2022.

ATTEST:

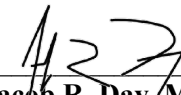


Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk



John R. Heath, City Council President

Approved by me, this 13th day of December, 2022.



Jacob R. Day, Mayor



To: City Council
From: Allen Swiger, Director of ABCD
Subject: Budget Amendment for Andean Bear Exhibit
Date: 11/12/22

The Salisbury Zoo is requesting consideration for an amendment to appropriate funds in the amount of \$250,000 for the design of the new Andean Bear Exhibit at the Salisbury Zoo. The City has surplus funds available in this current year's operating accounts to accomplish this funding.

A grant in the amount of \$250,000 has already been awarded to the City from the Maryland Department of General Services and is currently pending final approval by the State of Maryland Board of Public Works. Although no definitive timeline has been given for the approval of the grant, we expect to receive the funds this fiscal year. Once the City succeeds in obtaining the grant, the funds will be returned to the General Fund.

The Salisbury Zoo has been working diligently to prepare for the launch of a campaign to raise funds for the Andean Bear Exhibit deconstruction and rebuild. This project will also later include the construction of a new Otter Exhibit. In order to move to the next phase of the campaign, an architectural design with costs must be obtained.

Thank you for your time and do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Attachment: Budget Amendment Ordinance